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Geography Division, ORR Project Initiation Memorandum

TOs Chief, Geographic Research Project No.: 64.1629

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Chief, Geography Division

Dates

5 February 55

Subject of Proposed Project:

THE SOVIET ARCTIC (Revised)

- 2. Statement of Problem: (Outline to be attached) To bring up to date sections of CIA/RR-G-15 pertaining to population and settlement, economic activities, developments in transportation and Arctic acientific research, and to incorporate any new basic information in the physical sections. Current strategic implications will also be covered.
- 3. Requester: Self-initiated but in response to continued calls for G-15 (copies of which are exhausted in Records Center and elsewhere). 40 Responsible Analysts Branch: USSR
- 5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired from: D/GC, OCI, OSI, etc. a. Other divisions of the Geographic area (include haps); D/GC to revise maps. b. D/GL Domestic Procurement:
 - c. Other parts of CIA: Coordination with OCI, OSI, and other components of ORR
 - Outside CIA: d.
- 6. Estimated Man Hours: 300
- Probable Completion Date: April 1958
- 8. Probable Form of Final Publication: CIA/RR-G-15 Revised
- 9. Special Recommendations Regarding Distribution of Finished Report:
- 10. Comments: This is a revision of CIA/RR-G-15, The Soviet Arctic, published December 1956. The supply of the original study has been exhausted and a request by St/C was made for a re-run. It is D/GG's opinion that this should be done only if the study is brought up to date.

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